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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. - 34. (canceled).

35. (currently amended): A transportation system comprising:

mandatory terminals disposed within a plurality of transportation vehicles which mainly carry a customer from a boarding place to an alighting place, wherein said mandatory terminals include

transmission means for periodically transmitting the current location information of said mandatory terminals to an order receiving server, and

information in order to receive the delivery information including a location of a business

connection in charge of a load and a location of a delivery destination from said order receiving

server after putting the customer down at the alighting place, and for making transmission by

said transmission means complete before putting a new customer on boardenabling said

transmission means to transmit said current location information only in a period after putting the

customer down at the alighting place or transporting the object to be transported to the delivery

destination until putting a new customer on board or accepting a mandate for transportation of a

new object to be transported, and

means for receiving the delivery information including a location of a business connection in charge of an object to be transported and a location of a delivery destination from said order receiving server,

a plurality of ordering terminals for placing an order for transportation of said object to be transported load, wherein said ordering terminals includes

means for transmitting order information including a location of a business connection in charge of said object to be transported load and a location of a delivery destination to said order receiving server,

the order receiving server having

means for receiving said current location information from each of said plurality of said mandatory terminals and specifying current location for each of said plurality of said transportation vehicles,

means for receiving said order information from said ordering terminal and specifying the location of a business connection in charge of said object to be transported load and the location of a delivery destination,

means for specifying one of said plurality of said transportation vehicles which is closest to the location of a business connection in charge of said object to be transportedload as a mandated transportation vehicle, and

means for transmitting said delivery information to a mandatory terminal of the mandated transportation vehicle.

36. (currently amended): The transportation system as set forth in claim 35, wherein the location of a business connection in charge of an object to be transported of said eustomersaid load and/or a location of a delivery destination are in a store with round-the-clock operation.